The Govt, is providing relief to Kashmiri migrants at Jammu and Delhi to meet their basic needs, which includes monthly cash assistance & free dry ration to the eligible migrants, community accommodation to the extent possible and one time kitchen and bedding kit to those living in camps.

S.T.D. facilities in District Head Quarters in Uttar Pradesh

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MAULANA OBAIDULLAH KHAN AZMI;

Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state;

(a) what are the names of district headquarters in Uttar Pradesh which have not been linked with STD facility so far;

(b) by when the same are likely to be linked;

(c) the names of the places/cities/Tehsils in Uttad Pradesh which are proposed to be linked with STD during the next one year; and

<d) what steps are being taken by Government to strengthen and improve the telecommunication facilities in Uttar Pradesh?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI P. V. RANGAYYA NAIDU); (a) Out of 63 District Headquarters in Uttar Pradesh only 5 District Headquarters namely Farukhabad, Ihansi, New Tehri, Sonbhadra & Uttarkashi are not linked with STD' so far.

(b) It is planned to provide them with S.T.D. facility by March, 1992.

•(c) As per statement attached,.

(d) (i) New Electronic exchanges in Cities are being installed and expanded.

(ii) Small capacity manual exchanges are being replaced by electronic exchanges.

(iii) External plant is being upgraded to improve the services.

(iv) New transmission systems are being commissioned and upgraded to improve the long distance communication.

Statement

The following places in Uttar Pradesh are planned to be linked with S.T.D. facility during the year 1991-92 :—

T.H.Q.

Puranpur, Mohanlal Ganj, Haidergarh, Nighasan, Lalganj, Kunda, Ballia, Salem Pur, Bansi, Mahamadabad, Obra, Mawana, Lansdown, Bagpath, Sardhana, Nautanawa.

TOURIST CENTRE

Motichoor, Denkala, Ranikhet, Tanda, Nawabganj Fatehpur Sikri, Chourichanra, Dudhwaparm.

INDUSTRIAL GROWTH CENTRES

Sitarganj, Gajrola, Moradnagar, Berhalganj, Bharwasumerpur, Gosainganj, Unchahar, Rania, Jainpur, Muthura Oil-Refinery, Satharia, Malwa, Bhimtal, Babrala, Chilhat, Khilalabad, Bargarh, Aonla, Dibipur.

PILGRIM CENTRES

Baijnath, Joshimath, Rudarparyag, Yamnotri Gangotri, Bhdrinath, Kedaraath Neemsar, Gola, Chittarkoot, Devasharif, Tulsipur, Garhmukteshwar, Devparyag, Maghar, Bithur, Rishikesh, Danakpur, Danakpur Temple.

EXCHANGES OF 500 *LINES AND ABOVE*

.: Sifcandrabad, Chandossi, Sambal, Najl-Ijabad, Haldwani, Rishikesh, Pilakwa, Almora, Kotdwar.